

AGENDA

***Advisory Board Winchester Department of Social Services
Thursday, October 24, 2013, 4:00 p.m.
24 Baker Street***

Call to Order

***Approval of Minutes
August 22, 2013***

Announcements

Staff Report

***Board Activities
Public Relations
Bylaws/Guidelines***

***Old Business
Status of Member Recruitment
Community Partner Presentation
Board Member Contact Information***

***New Business
Managed Care for Children in Foster Care***

***Date and Location of Next Meeting
January 23, 2014, 4:00 p.m., at 24 Baker Street***

Adjournment

Minutes

Winchester Department of Social Services
Advisory Board Meeting
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Members Present: Allyson Pate, Betty Curtis, Marie Imoh, Nathaniel Prezzy, Tricia Stiles, Kathy Tagnesi, Patrick Wingfield

Members Absent: Les Taylor

Staff/Guests: Milton McIntyre (Winchester City Council), Amber Johnson (WDSS Director), Georjean Coco (WDSS Asst. Director), Cindy Cooper (WDSS Benefits Supervisor), Vicki Whitmore (WDSS Eligibility Supervisor), Nancy Valentine (WDSS Finance Director), Connie Greer (WDSS Fiscal Assistant)

Item	Discussion	Action
Call to Order/Approval of Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm by Allyson Pate, Chair 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Introductions of current members and guests.</i> <i>Ms. Stiles motioned to approve the June 27, 2013 Meeting Minutes; Ms. Tagnesi seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.</i>
Announcements		<ul style="list-style-type: none">
Staff Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adoption Reception Strengthening Families Initiative 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Ms. Johnson thanked the attendees of the Campaign for 1000 Adoption Reception on July 29 from 6:00-8:00 pm at the Our Health Building. The purpose of the reception was to bring attention and awareness to the adoption process. The City of Winchester currently has 30 children in Foster Care with three finalized adoptions, one pending adoption and six pending appeal.</i> <i>The Steering Committee will reconvene. There was \$5,300 approved to use to for community outreach to engage fathers.</i>
Committee Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PR Committee Report Bylaws/Guidelines 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>No report.</i> <i>The draft Bylaws have been reviewed and revised by City Attorney Williams. The Board was requested to review the draft Bylaws for discussion at the September 26 Advisory Board meeting.</i>

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Old Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appointments and Reappointments of Board Members • Community Partner Presentation • Review of Board Member Contact Information 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>One (1) vacant position will continue to be advertized. Mr. McIntyre thanked the Advisory Board for its continued service.</i> • <i>Ms. Pate explained the Community Partner Award. Posh Pets and Phazz One Ministries will be receiving the award on October 24 at 5:00 p.m., at 24 Baker Street immediately following the Advisory Board meeting. Ms. Curtis and Ms. Tagnesi will work together to plan the presentation and a reception immediately following. They will also contact the award winners to invite them to the presentation. Mr. Prezzy will draft a press release announcing the presentation of the award and inviting community members and media.</i> • <i>Ms. Pate requested all Advisory Board Members to review the contact information sheet provided; additional changes were noted and will be distributed at the next Advisory Board Meeting.</i>
New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eligibility Modernization 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Ms. Cooper and Ms. Whitmore explained the recent and upcoming changes in applying for benefits and determining eligibility. Clients can apply online via the CommonHelp web portal. Additionally, more telephone interviews are being done to increase productivity. More changes to come with the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act which was signed into law on March 23, 2010. There will be a community forum on September 24, 2013 at 9 a.m. at Frederick County DSS regarding the Affordable Care Act and local impact.</i>

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Date and Location of Next Meeting/Adjourn ment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The next Social Service Advisory Board meeting will be Thursday, September 26, 2013, 4:00 pm in the DSS Board Room.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Ms. Stiles motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:00 pm. Ms. Curtis seconded; the motion passed unanimously.</i>
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Signature

Date

Foster Care/Adoption Subsidy
Medicaid Managed Care

WINCHESTER DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES-



WHAT IS MANAGED CARE?

- ❖ Virginia Mandatory Medicaid Managed Care Program- Medallion II
- ❖ Managed Care began in the Tidewater area in 1996 and has expanded throughout the state
- ❖ Medicaid eligible clients are enrolled into Managed Care Organizations



WHAT IS A MCO?

- ❖ It is a Managed Care Organization in which a group of doctors and other health care providers work together to provide health care.
- ❖ All parties will select a Primary Care Physician (PCP) within their network
- ❖ Some examples of MCO's are Anthem Health Keepers Plus, Virginia Premier Health Care Plan, Optima Family Care



BENEFITS OF MANAGED CARE

- ❖ Coordination of health care services
- ❖ Case management
- ❖ 24 hour registered nurse advice line
- ❖ Improved access to providers
- ❖ Targeted services for chronic conditions (diabetes, asthma)
- ❖ Behavioral Health
- ❖ Transportation by MCO's
- ❖ No change to Dental Services- through Smiles for Children



TRANSITION TO MCO



- ❖ October 18, 2013 Pre-assignments to MCO
- ❖ November 18, 2013- DSS or adoptive parents can make MCO changes up to this date
- ❖ December 1, 2013 complete transfer for Northern Virginia residents
- ❖ Two criteria must be met for child to transition: child is residing a transitioning locality and the local department of social services managing the case must be a transitioning locality

EXCLUSIONS FROM MCO

- ❖ Children who are hospitalized at the time of enrollment
- ❖ Children in Level C Residential Care
- ❖ Children who are covered under a parent's private health insurance
- ❖ Children enrolled in a Waiver (example EDCD or Technology) only when the waiver ends



ENROLLMENT STEPS

- ❖ Contact the foster parent to discuss the MCO enrollment and the appropriateness of the MCO assignment with the current providers of the child
- ❖ The Medicaid card and the MCO card will be mailed to the foster parent. Both cards will need to be taken to any appointments and to pick up prescriptions for the child



MAKING CHANGES TO YOUR MCO

- ❖ MCO changes can occur at any time through the year by the Family Services Specialist only
- ❖ Foster parents or placement providers can change the Primary Care Provider or PCP once child is enrolled in the MCO by contacting the MCO Helpline at 1-800-643-2273
- ❖ Depending on when the change in MCO occurs will determine if the change will occur in the month or the month after request for the change



LOSS OF MCO

- ❖ If a child enters residential treatment facility then the child will be unenrolled from the MCO and will continue to receive Medicaid
- ❖ The child will be reenrolled in an MCO the month after the child is discharged from the residential treatment facility
- ❖ If the child becomes ineligible for Medicaid due to their income or age



WHO WILL BE EXPERIENCING THE MCO TRANSITION?

- ❖ 33 youth in foster care
- ❖ 2 youth residing outside our Northern Region (JJ and JS)
- ❖ 2-3 foster youth currently meet the exclusionary criteria (confirmation pending)
- ❖ 42 adoption subsidy recipients
- ❖ Current foster and adoptive parents as well as the Family Service Specialists and Eligibility Service Specialists here at Winchester DSS



QUESTIONS/MORE INFORMATION

- ❖ Questions??????
- ❖ Future questions contact me Jaimi Lineberg, Family Service Supervisor at 540-686-4823.
- ❖ Please feel free to visit the following website for more information www.VirginiaManagedCare.com

